IN THE CLAIMS

The status of the claims as presently amended is as follows:

1. (*Currently Amended*) A contents supplying system comprising:

a contents supplying server apparatus that supplies contents for downloading via a communication network; and

a plurality of information processing terminals associated with a user, the contents from the contents supplying server apparatus being downloadable to each information processing terminal from the contents supplying server apparatus via a communication network,

wherein the contents supplying server apparatus comprises:

a server storing device ~~for~~ storing, together with numerous contents, user information for the user, including user ID information representing a plurality of information processing terminals associated with the user and contents purchase information comprising contents ID information and copy control data, wherein the copy control data includes a total number of times the downloaded contents are allowed to be copied to an external apparatus or recording medium; and

a server ~~controlling section~~ controller that ~~at least (a) supplies, via downloading, the contents to each of the information processing terminals associated with the user, and (b)~~, in response to a copy permission request from the user via one of the information processing terminals:

supplies the copy control data of the user to the one information processing terminal, and

decrements the total number of times the downloaded contents are allowed to be copied from any of the information processing terminals associated with the user, and

wherein each of the information processing terminals comprises:

a terminal storing device ~~for storing~~ that stores the downloaded contents from the contents supplying server apparatus; and

a ~~sending section for sending~~ terminal controller that sends to the contents supplying server apparatus a copy permission request for copying the downloaded contents to the external apparatus or recording medium each time before the downloaded contents are to be copied to the external apparatus or recording medium.

2-3. (*Canceled*)

4. (*Previously Presented*) The contents supplying system according to claim 1, wherein said server storing device stores an initial value of the copy control data, contents by contents.

5. (*Previously Presented*) The contents supplying system according to claim 1, wherein said contents are music data.

6. (*Currently Amended*) The contents supplying system according to claim 1, wherein:

each of the information processing terminals further comprises[[:]] a receiving section for receiving the copy control data of the downloaded contents to be copied to the external apparatus or recording medium from the contents supplying server apparatus[[;]], and

[[a]] the terminal controlling section for determining controller also determines whether or not to copy the downloaded contents into the external apparatus or recording medium based on the received copy control data.

7. (*Canceled*)

8. (*Previously Presented*) The contents supplying system according to claim 6, wherein said contents are music data.

9. (*Currently Amended*) A non-transitory computer-readable medium storing a computer program for a contents supplying system comprising a contents supplying server apparatus that supplies contents for downloading, and a plurality of information processing terminals associated with a user, the contents from the contents supplying server apparatus being downloadable to each information processing terminal from the contents supplying server apparatus, the contents supplying server apparatus including a server storing device for storing, together with numerous contents, user information for the user, including user ID information representing the information processing terminals associated with the user and contents purchase information comprising contents ID information and copy control data, wherein the copy control data includes a total number of times the downloaded contents are allowed to be copied to an external apparatus or recording medium, and the contents supplying server apparatus having a server controlling section controller, and the information processing

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terminals each having a terminal storing device and a terminal controller, the computer program including instructions for:

~~controlling the server controlling section~~ the server controller to ~~at least (a) supply, via downloading, the contents to each of the information processing terminals associated with the user, and (b)~~, in response to a copy permission request from the user via one of the information processing terminals:

supply the copy control data of the user to the one information processing terminal, and

decrement the total number of times the downloaded contents are allowed to be copied from any of the information processing terminals associated with the user, ~~and~~;

storing the downloaded contents from the contents supplying server apparatus in the terminal storing devices of the information processing terminals; and

the terminal controller of any of the information processing terminals to ~~sending~~ to the contents supplying server apparatus, ~~from any of the information processing terminals,~~ the copy permission request for copying the downloaded contents to the external apparatus or recording medium each time before the downloaded contents are to be copied to any external apparatus or recording medium.

10. (*Canceled*)

11. (*Previously Presented*) The non-transitory computer-readable medium according to claim 9, wherein said contents are music data.

12. (*Previously Presented*) The contents supplying system according to claim 1, wherein the external apparatus is an electronic musical instrument.

13. (*Previously Presented*) The contents information processing terminal according to claim 6, wherein the external apparatus is an electronic musical instrument.

14. (*Previously Presented*) The non-transitory computer-readable medium according to claim 9, wherein the external apparatus is an electronic musical instrument.

15. (*Previously Presented*) The non-transitory computer-readable medium according to claim 9, wherein the computer program further includes instructions for each of the information processing terminals to:

receive the copy control data of the downloaded contents to be copied to the external apparatus or recording medium from the contents supplying server apparatus; and

determine whether or not to copy the downloaded contents to the external apparatus or recording medium based on the received copy control data.

16. (*New*) A method of supplying contents in a contents supplying system comprising a contents supplying server apparatus that supplies contents for downloading, and a plurality of information processing terminals associated with a user, the contents from the contents supplying server apparatus being downloadable to each information processing terminal from the contents supplying server apparatus, the contents supplying server apparatus including a server storing device storing, together with numerous contents, user information for the user, including user ID information representing the information processing terminals associated with the user and contents purchase information comprising contents ID information and copy control data, wherein the copy control data includes a total number of times the downloaded contents are allowed to be copied to an external apparatus or recording medium, and the contents supplying server apparatus having a server controller, and the information processing terminals each having a terminal storing device and a terminal controller, the method comprising the steps of:

having the server controller, in response to a copy permission request from the user via one of the information processing terminals:

supply the copy control data of the user to the one information processing terminal, and

decrement the total number of times the downloaded contents are allowed to be copied from any of the information processing terminals associated with the user;

storing the downloaded contents from the contents supplying server apparatus in the terminal storing devices of the information processing terminals; and

having the terminal controller of any of the information processing terminals send to the contents supplying server apparatus, the copy permission request for copying the downloaded contents to the external apparatus or recording medium each time before the downloaded contents are to be copied to any external apparatus or recording medium.